(c) The number of employees who died due to accidents in course of employment is as follows :—

Unit	No. of Employees who died in accidents
BURNPUR WORKS	15
KULTI WORKS	2

(d) The information is as given in part (b) except for Shri N. P. Hela at S. No. 1.

Reopening of Blast furnaces of IISCO

1830. SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA: Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government propose to reopen the closed Blast Furnaces, Rolling Mills Sheet Mills at the Burnpur works of IISCO;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether Government propose to rebuild any Blast Furnace and/or coke ovens at Kulti; if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF STEEL (SHRI SONTOSH MOHAN DEV): (a) and (b) SAIL are at present implementing a phased programme of reopening some of their units closed earlier. The details are as under :

(i) The light Structural Mill, which was closed earlier from September, 1989, has been put back into operation from May, 1991.

(ii) Blast Furnace No. 1, which was shout down since April, 1989, would be relined and put back in operation.

(iii) At present, there is no plan to restart the Sheet Mill.

(c) No, Sir.

Setting up of Central Workshop at IISCO

1831. SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA: Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are considering a proposal to open a Central Workshop at Kulti to cater to the needs of steel plants of the Eastern Zone under SAIL; if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether there is any proposal for diversification of products at Kulti ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF STEEL (SHRI SONTOSH MOHAN DEV) : (a) There is already a central workshop of the SAIL group at Kulti, catering to the needs of all SAIL Steel Plants.

(b) Yes, Sir.

Late running of trains passing through Madhya Pradesh

1832. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are aware that almost all the trains of Central Railways passing through Madhya Pradesh consistently run late thereby causing inconvenience and losses to the passengers and railway users;

(b) whether Government have prepared any statistics of late running of Central Railway trains through Madhya Pradesh and compared the same with other railway trains passing through the State;

(c) if so, what is the percentage of trains of Central Railway/running late with other railway trains; and

(d) whether Government propose to compensate the passengers who incur losses due to late running of trains to protect consumer right of passengers?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) Sometimes, trains do run late which is mostly on account of factors beyond the control of Railways like agitations, alarm chain pulling and accidents.